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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks respond to the Office Action (Paper No. 2) dated August 31, 2001, and are filed within the three-month shortened statutory period set by the Examiner.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1, 16 and 22 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please rewrite the claims (2, 8, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 18, 20, 21 and 23 - 27) as follows: